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DECATUR, ILL., FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1903.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

**THREATENED TO KILL.**  
A man who gave his name as W. Hail was arrested Thursday night for threatening to kill his wife. He was confined in the county jail and will be given a hearing.

**TWO SICK.**  
Two children of Joseph Hobson, 450 North Union street, have the measles.

**BACK FROM CONVENTION.**  
Tommy Clark was a delegate from the local lodge of the Catholic Order of Foresters, returned from the convention last night. The convention was held at Peoria Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. It was decided to hold the next convention at Springfield.

**BUYS ANOTHER STORE.**  
L. N. Martin, formerly of this city but who is now proprietor of the I. N. Martin Dry Goods company of Peoria, has bought the McCourtney Dry Goods Co. store and the two will be consolidated.

**CHILDREN'S DAY.**  
Children's Day exercises will be held at the Presbyterian Sunday school Sunday morning. There will be a special program in which the children will take part and Rev. Penhalligan will preach a sermonette. There will be a baptism of infants.

THE GOOD FELLOWS.

**Elks Formally Re-open Their Hands.**  
The members of the Elks lodge gave a large entertainment Thursday night at their club rooms in the opera house block. The occasion was an informal opening of the rooms which have been entirely redecorated and refurbished. During the early part of the evening the guests played cards and later there was dancing, the opera house orchestra furnishing the music. About 200 persons were present. Through out the evening sandwiches and coffee, frappe and ice cream and cake were served. The entertainment was one of the most pleasant ever given by the lodge.

The club rooms as they have been decorated are quite handsome. The walls are painted and there is a pretty contrast of colors. The ante room is decorated in dark red and the lodge hall in green. One of the parlors is in red and the other green. The billiard room has been refitted and the back part of the room is furnished as a buffet where lunches will be served every night. The rooms are quite as handsome as any club rooms in the city.

USING DYNAMITE.

**To Make Street Excavations—Small Charges Used.**  
Dynamite is being used to make the excavation on Main street west of the Washash railroad. On the south side of the street car track there is a gravel road. Before the place was gravelled the low ground was filled with pieces of broken tile and brick bats from the old brick and tile factory. On top of that chinders and then gravel spread in liberal quantities. After many years travel over that road it was almost as hard as a rock and digging it out with a pick would have been a slow and tedious job. Good headway is being made by blasting with dynamite. Quarter pound charges of 40 per cent dynamite are used and the earth in chunks too heavy for two men are sometimes upheaved.

BUY AN ELEVATOR.

**Decatur Company Buys the Hay Elevator at Milmine.**  
The Decatur Elevator Company yesterday purchased the hay elevator at Milmine paying \$10,000 for the house which has a capacity of 50,000 bushels.

This company is now building an elevator at Cerro Gordo and it will be completed within a few weeks. It is the purpose of this company to either buy or build a complete line of elevators on the railroads centering in Decatur and the Milmine house is the second that they have acquired.

TECHNICITY SAVES RYAN

**Victims of the St. Louis Get Rich Quick Robbery Will Not Even Get Satisfaction.**

ACQUITTED BY COURT'S ORDER.

**St. Louis, June 11—**Under instructions from Judge Ryan, John J. Ryan, president of the defunct John J. Ryan Turf Investment Company, which suspended operations when the grand jury began investigating such concerns, was by a jury acquitted of the charge of embezzlement as baillee. Judge Ryan, after examining the contract which the company made with its patrons, decided it was evidence of a loan but not of bailment. On that decision he ordered the acquittal. The ruling may have an important bearing on a number of similar cases now pending.

Bank Safe Blown.

**Wiler, Minn., June 11—**The safe of the Farmer's State bank was blown by burglars early today. The safe was demolished and the building damaged. The robbers got about \$1,500. Three suspects were arrested at Heron Lake.

**El Paso, Tex., June 11—**Armed strikers at Morenci took possession of a mill of the Detroit Copper company, disarmed the guards and made them selves masters of the town. Five troops of cavalry are expected to arrive there tonight.

A PRECEDENT UNHEARD OF

**SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS OFFICIALLY REPRIMANDS A MEMBER.**

JUSTICE MAGRUDER ERRED

**In Filing Dissenting Opinion Whom Majority Opinion Was Not Given.**

**Springfield, June 11—**The supreme court of Illinois today took an action unprecedented by a supreme court in the United States, when they entered an order reprimanding Justice Magruder of Chicago, one of their own body, and who was at one time chief justice for filing a dissenting opinion during vacation, and before the major opinion of the court had been filed. The case was that brought by William L. Vandewater, of Quincy, nominal plaintiff, by the democrats of the old fourth supreme judicial district for supreme judge in that district, and intended to test the re-appointment of the state just made. The supreme court refused to mandamus the secretary of state to certify Vandewater's nomination, but filed no opinion at the time. Justice Magruder dissented, and filed his dissenting opinion soon after.

MARTIAL LAW PROCLAIMED

**Impression Exists That Governor Beckham Is Determined That the Law Shall Prevail.**

EWEN WAS OFFERED BIG BRIBE

**Jackson, Ky., June 11—**Captain B. J. Ewen was today taken to the military camp where he will be guarded for the present. The crowd at the courthouse is much larger today. Jett is confident as ever but White is more despondent. Ewen this morning detailed the story of the attempted bribery. Several days ago he was offered \$5000 to alter his testimony, so as not to incriminate Jett. Owing to he could not remember the shooting he was Jett or not who made the offer. The disclosures have thrown Jackson into a furor of excitement and intensified the danger. The placing of the town under martial law with Provost Marshal Longmire in charge and backed by a battalion of troops, has given the impression that Gov. Beckham proposes to see that law and order are maintained in Breathitt county, and the opinion is expressed that the intimidation that has prevailed in this county for years has lost its force. It is thought both the jurors and the witnesses will have less fear in the discharge of their duties. Order and confidence are being maintained in a way not known here for years. It was openly stated today that B. J. Ewen would not have dared heretofore to have told about being offered \$5000 if he would not testify against the defendant. This he testifies against the defendant. This he today, though he could not post, actively name the one who made the offer. Several witnesses today corroborated the testimony of Ewen given yesterday, as to incidents before and following the shooting of Marcum. One witness testified to hearing a conversation in which it was said that two men would give \$5000 each to have the prisoners poisoned in case of conviction, to guard against their making confessions.

UPTON AND M'GREGOR HELD

**Smith, the Contractor, Who Stood In With Them On a Job, Turned State's Evidence.**

THERE WAS A RICH TAKE OFF.

**Baltimore, Md., June 11—**The preliminary hearing of C. Ellsworth Upton and Thomas W. McGregor, charged with conspiracy in the postoffice department frauds, took place today before United States Commissioner Rogers. The specific charge against Upton and McGregor was that they had conspired with C. E. Smith, to furnish mail pouches to the government at an exorbitant figure. At today's testimony Smith was used as a witness for the government. He testified that he bought the pouches in 10,000 lots in Worcester, Mass., paying 30 cents and 35 cents per pouch. On June 11, 1902, which was put in a bid at 90 cents, which was accepted. When he got the money, he gave forty per cent of it to Upton and McGregor and kept the balance himself. He said that he sent the bid to Superintendent Machen at Washington. Commissioner Rogers bound over the accused men to await the action of the United States grand jury which meets next Saturday.

The Indications.

**Washington, June 11—**Illinois—Falls fresh warm Friday and Saturday; fresh northeast winds Friday.

Local Weather.

The following is a record of the temperature for 24 hours ended Thursday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Prof. J. H. Conrad, government observer:  
7 a. m. .... 48  
Noon ..... 63  
7 p. m. .... 48  
Highest ..... 69  
Lowest ..... 44

SERBIAN KING AND QUEEN MURDERED BY A BAND OF BLOODY BUTCHERS

**Private Apartments Invaded By An Army Who Shot Them Down and Then Mutilated the Remains.**

AND SERBIAN POPULACE APPLAUDS

**The Royal Couple Had been Thoroughly Detested By The People—Had Been Practically Prisoners In Their Palace For Weeks.**

KARAGEVITCH IS INVITED TO BLOODY THRONE

**Alexander's Abdication Was Demanded, and When He Refused, He and His Queen, Draga, Fell Under a Rain of Pistol Bullets—Poor Natalie's Cup of Sorrow is Running Over.**

**Belgrade, June 11—**King Alexander and Queen Draga were shot down in the royal palace during the deed was carried out by the king and queen's brother-in-law, General Markovitch, Premier Nikola Peticovitch and Todor Peticovitch, former minister of war, and some members of the royal guard.

**Army Revolted.**  
The revolution broke out here today. The troops who revolted were the leadership of Major Angier. The palace and surrounding area were surrounded. The king and queen's brother-in-law, General Markovitch, Premier Nikola Peticovitch and Todor Peticovitch, former minister of war, and some members of the royal guard.

**To Servian People.**  
I, King Alexander, and my wife, Queen Draga, in this grave and fateful hour, have decided to abdicate the throne of the fatherland and to leave the government of the kingdom to the people. We have decided to leave the kingdom to the people and to leave the government of the kingdom to the people. We have decided to leave the kingdom to the people and to leave the government of the kingdom to the people.

**People Approve Assassination.**  
The streets are thronged with people. The people are shouting and cheering. The people are shouting and cheering. The people are shouting and cheering. The people are shouting and cheering. The people are shouting and cheering.

**Peace of Europe Threatened.**  
Paris, June 11—A French government official today said: "The bloody deed of last night at Belgrade is a serious menace to the peace of Europe that has happened in many years."

**That's Bad.**  
St. Petersburg, June 11—President Roosevelt's train passed through the city today. There was a small crowd at the station to see the train. The president was informed by the Associated Press of the assassination of the king and queen of Serbia and was greatly shocked, saying: "That's bad."

**KING'S DEATH WAS PREDICTED.**  
By a Clairvoyant a Few Weeks Ago—Was an Unpopular Ruler.

**London, June 11—**The tragedy at the palace at Belgrade marking the latest conclusion which have convulsed Serbia from time to time during the past century is not regarded in diplomatic circles in London as likely to lead to

and St. Petersburg every year, but recently he has been several times to Vienna and has also visited St. Petersburg where his son is at school.

KING KILLED ONE ASSASSIN

**Then Fled With Queen Draga to Palace Roof.**

**Vienna, June 11—**Belgrade dispatches say the revolution was planned weeks ago. Secret committees were organized in the country and worked in co-operation with the army. The leaders of the revolution are said to have been the new ministers of justice and finance, respectively M. Schiokevics and Vukobratovics and the sixth regiment infantry, garrisoning Belgrade, was designated to carry out the plot. It was originally intended that the plot should be executed later but fears that the new Serbian parliament would settle the question of succession to the throne hastened matters. Col. Naumovics, the king's adjutant, was entrusted with the execution of the plans. While on duty at 11 o'clock last night Naumovics burst in the door of the royal couple's sleeping apartments with a bomb and then entered, accompanied by Mischles and a number of junior officers. The previously placed guard had been overpowered and its commander, Captain Panajowics, killed. Col. Naumovics presented a form of abdication for his signature.

King's Answer.

The document contained the statement that by marrying a "public prostitute" the king had disgraced Serbia and therefore he must abdicate. The king's answer was to draw a revolver and kill Naumovics on the spot. Mischles then picked up the document and presented them again to the king who perceived his danger and fled with Queen Draga to the palace roof, both being in their night clothes. The officers followed, continuously firing, and ultimately

Shot Down the Royal Couple.

Major Luka Lazarevics, who has been under the king's displeasure for two years, is said to have fired the shot which actually killed the king. About 2 o'clock this morning Queen Draga's two brothers, as well as Premier Markovitch and his brother-in-law, M. Mikovitch, minister of the interior, M. Tudorovics, and his daughter, and the war minister, General Pavovitch.

Army Revolts.

While these events were proceeding at the palace, the streets of the city were occupied by soldiers and an armed force surrounded the royal residence. Horses and pieces of artillery were decorated with evergreens, as for a festival. The king's body was carried to the city by a body of troops under Colonel Gogovits. In the fight which ensued both of the officers mentioned were killed.

The Official Fake.

What purports to be an official explanation of the tragedy was issued at Belgrade during the day. It says: "After dinner Wednesday evening the king and queen, with some of their relatives and several ministers, went on a balcony of the palace. Suddenly the king demanded that Queen Draga leave the country. She refused and was supported by some of the ministers. When the king saw this opposition he ordered the military to occupy the palace. Meanwhile the queen's friends were also active and collected her supporters. It was in the fight between the two factions that the king and queen were killed."

BUTCHERS NOT PATRIOTIC.

**Murderers Slashed the Bodies of Their Victims and Destroyed Property.**

**Berlin, June 11—**The National Zeitung's report from Semlin, six miles from Belgrade, confirms the reports that the bodies of the king and the queen were thrown from their bed-room windows into the park. King Alexander was shot through the neck at the first fire and a rush of blood suffused him. The Queen Draga received several shots, and after she was dead the regicides slashed her body with their swords and thrust it through and through. The rugs in the royal chamber were soaked with blood, which flowed over the floors. Window hangings were torn down and trampled under foot, windows were broken and objects of art shattered in violent destruction. The murderers afterwards embraced and congratulated one another on the success of the plot, and joyfully announced to those below that the king and queen had been disposed of.

RUSSIAN MONEY WAS USED

**That is the Opinion at Geneva but "Karag" Protests He Knew Nothing of the Tragedy.**

READY TO CLAIM THE THRONE.

**Geneva, June 11—**Prince Karagevitch has been living here since 1891. Through the Russian consul, who is his intimate friend, he made a statement to the Associated Press, declaring his ignorance of any knowledge of the Belgrade tragedy. He said that through his grandfather he "undoubtedly had the best right to the Serbian throne and intended taking it, if possible, for the sake of his son," but he "expected to meet with great difficulties and hoped for assistance from Austria." He also said he did not know when he would start for Belgrade. From other will leave secretly Friday morning for Vienna, whence he will proceed to Belgrade. It is said the prince has received an enormous number of telegrams from the week past, many of them from the frontier of Serbia. Russian money was undoubtedly used in the revolution, which, according to the general belief, was planned here. The prince usually visited Vienna



WILLIAM S. DEVERY, INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR OF NEW YORK CITY.

**WILLIAM S. DEVERY**, ex-chief of police of New York, who recently accepted an independent nomination for mayor of that city, is one of the most picturesque characters of Gotham. He is at present directing all his batteries against Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany, who he had been chosen. Devery does not hope to be elected, but the most thoughtful politicians admit that his candidature may have an important bearing upon the result of the election in the fall.

WILL NOW REDEDE

**CREST OF THE FLOOD IS SAID TO HAVE PASSED EAST ST. LOUIS.**

CARING FOR THE HOMELESS

**Is a Big Problem—They Suffer From Exposure—Food Supplies Are Short—Militiamen Busy.**

**St. Louis, June 11—**(Midnight)—The river has fallen two inches since six o'clock.

**East St. Louis, Ill., June 11—**It is generally accepted as a fact tonight that the crest of the flood has passed. The river is stationary at 37.9. Since the break in the Illinois Central levee the flood has made no dangerous breaks. The water is sweeping through the Broadway embankment and has flooded portions of the lowlands north. There were no reports of drownings today nor were any bodies recovered.

HE WAS OUT FOR THE STUFF

**Sam Parks, Walking Delegate, Made and Settled Strikes For a Cash Consideration.**

**New York, June 11—**Samuel Parks, walking delegate for the house, smiths and bridgemen's union, was re-arrested today on a charge of extortion, on the complaint of Joseph Plenty, of Jersey City, who alleges that Parks accepted a check for \$200 to settle a strike. Parks had been under examination several days on various charges of having accepted money to settle strikes in which his union was engaged, and was out on bonds furnished by William S. Devery, former chief of police.

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**Ministers Waited Upon Themselves When the Union Men Quit.**

**Chicago, June 11—**The waiters in Kingsley's restaurant struck tonight to enforce recognition of the union. The Methodist ministers were holding a banquet at the time, and were forced to wait upon themselves. The union tonight decided to order out the cooks and waiters in all the big hotels. While the union meeting was in progress the restaurant keepers' association was holding a stormy session, resulting in President Walton being deposed and expelled from the organization after being openly accused of acting as mediator between the labor leaders and the employers to settle the strike for \$7000, of which \$2,000 was to be paid to a certain labor man and \$1,000 to each of five other members of the joint board of the waiters' unions.

There are only three physicians in the camp and more are badly needed, and at once. Mr. Dempsey says the camp is trying to feed 2,000 people who are sheltered in the higher-roads.

WILL NOW REDEDE

ence section surrounding the camp, but that there are not supplies enough. The most conservative estimate of the loss of life in East St. Louis and the other cities is now placed at twenty. There are many, however, who claim that the death list will be much larger than this figure. Many people are reported to have perished in the little houses on Railroad avenue which are inundated to their eaves. This cannot be verified until the waters recede. A thousand more people were made homeless this morning by a break through the Broadway embankment at Ninth street.

FOOD GETTING SHORT.

**St. Louis Now Feeling Effects of Flood—Supplies Advance in Price.**  
**St. Louis, June 11—**A food and coal scarcity is being caused in St. Louis by the tying up of the railroads by the floods. The railroads that cross the pads and merchants bridges bring more than 30 per cent of the city's food supply. These bridges are closed to traffic. Prices on some of the staples have nearly doubled, and if the present watery stage continues for another week they will jump again.

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The Ohio state convention proved to be a regular Hannanification meeting.

The new mayor of Springfield got to the gunbers "git" and they got out of town.

The most powerful microscope could not make visible present republican opposition to Roosevelt.

The horrors of the floods are little realized by people who are high and dry only a few miles away.

Most political wires are live ones. This explains some of the shocking results of elections.

There are a certain familiar kind of June days that cannot be too rare. We have had some of them lately.

It is announced that at least the frog crop is safe. The croakers will be numerous this year as usual.

The newspapers way down in Egypt are booming Senator Larry Springer for governor on the democratic ticket.

Things are growing monotonous. Can't some Tillman stir up a new muss to attract attention and give spice to life?

According to the preacher some people can go to the devil on \$50,000 per year. Others go on an automobile or the board of trade.

The postal department rascals act as if they were alumni of the St. Louis House of delegates and the Missouri legislature.

There does not appear to be any great danger of slandering Missouri. The half of municipal and legislative corruption will never be told.

St. Louis society people can go 'across the water' this summer without going to Europe. They can go over into Illinois.

Think of it. Hick's almanac of next year will contain all the pictures of the floods and they will be claimed as the special property of the almanac fakir.

It is probably necessary that some shall live in the districts liable to be flooded. At such times as this those who reside on the highlands consider themselves blest.

Joseph Warren, the hero of Bunker Hill, was born June 11, 1741. It was said of him that "As long as he lived he was the most popular man in Massachusetts."

President Roosevelt did exactly as every one knew he would when he ordered the postmaster general to go to the bottom of the post office scandal, sparing none.

It becomes more evident each day that Noah's water mark was set pretty high. Still the floods of this year are making a pretty respectable effort to reach the Noah record of 2500 B. C.

It does not look well for the state that gave Lincoln to the country to start in to settle the race problem by the Texas and Mississippi method. Belleville will find this outrage a stain hard to wipe out.

An Evanstonian millionaire's daughter has married a train brakeman. This is far better than to have married some noble nobody from the old world. An honest, hardworking brakeman is as good as any man and with him any good girl may be happy.

June 10, 1847, was the first issue of the Chicago Daily Tribune. For 56 years it has been and continues to be one of the great newspapers of the Western world.

The shocking news comes that in Chicago at the judicial election there was fraud. What is the world coming to when such things can be said of the saints who control Chicago elections?

Gen. Glendennin of Moline has been "resigned" not "removed from" command of the 3rd Brigade of the state militia. Gov. Yates ordered the record straightened.

When the trial of Machen comes on the government may expect to receive a very severe reprimand. At least his attorneys threaten some sort of violence to Uncle Sam for breaking into the little game of their clients.

The more the Belleville lynching is examined the more barbarous it appears. South Sea Islanders could have done little worse. They might have eaten the negro but they would not have burned him alive and rejoiced in his torments.

John P. Hopkins announces that he will retire from politics. He is a wise man. When Carter Harrison's star rose again Hopkins was wise enough to see his finish. The democrats will have a new chairman of their state committee in place of Mr. Hopkins.

The Chicago Tribune has secured McCutcheon, the cartoonist. He leaves the Record-Herald July 1. It is said that his salary is \$1,000 per month. The cartoon is a necessity for up-to-date papers. The Herald has made a great hit with them during the past few months.

Danville is to have two circuit judges, E. R. E. Kimbrough a McKinley democrat and M. W. Thompson, a republican. At first it was supposed that all the democrats in that district were elected but the official returns showed that Thompson had pulled through by a narrow margin. With Joe Cannon at Danville they manage to get most everything.

One of the potent possibilities for governor next year is Charles S. Deenen, the present state's attorney for Cook county. If Mr. Deenen can come to the convention with Cook County behind him he will be a formidable candidate. Without strong Chicago backing he will count for little in the contest. In any event the republican candidate will be a winner at the general election.

The estate of the late Thomas B. Reed, former speaker of the National house, amounts to \$431,000 after all expenses are paid. This is a very comfortable estate to be left by a poor man. Mr. Reed is said to have narrowly missed being a great man. One thing is sure, whatever money he accumulated was by legitimate methods. He never was mixed up in any jobs.

Wide spread interest in the McCool murder trial is shown by the fact that special orders for the Herald are coming from every quarter. Hundreds of people in distant cities and states desire to follow the course of this trial which promises to exceed in intensity of interest any case ever tried in Macon county. News agents all over central Illinois are increasing their order for the Herald to meet the universal demand.

Last Sunday was the seventh and last of those rainy Sundays following rain on Easter. Now seriously, won't people who talk such sublime folly quit after this year's record? Beautiful sunshine and not a drop of rain followed the Easter dampness. Five of the seven Sundays were ideal days. Still people will forget and the silly superstition will be doing business at the old stand next year.

It appears that a negro can be lynched in Illinois as well as in Mississippi. The scene of the latest outrage against law was Belleville. D. J. Wyatt, of East St. Louis, shot County Superintendent of Schools Charles Hertel, because he was refused a certificate of qualification to teach. It is a shame that people can not, though provocation is great, let the orderly execution of the law take its course. The North should cease throwing stones at the South.

A Peoria paper says: Those who saw President Roosevelt on his tour through Illinois state that he shows signs of the tremendous strain to which he is subjected. He has aged considerably since he was in Peoria in his campaign of 1900. He shows the harness marks, and while he has been extraordinarily successful, the life is telling upon him. Oh nonsense. The president looks as though he had fattened on the strenuous life. Peoria people should have come over to Decatur to see him.

**SAFFRON JOURNALISM.**  
When he hits her hits hard. Reference is had to Gene Baldwin, the talented editor of the Peoria Star. This paper has a circulation in a provincial town of over 20,000 built up and secured on legitimate newspaper methods. With Max O'Rell as a text the Star goes after yellow journalism in characteristic style. It says that this French writer exemplified in the strongest way the fact that it is not

what you say but how you say it that creates success. He began by writing up the eccentricities of Englishmen for his French readers. "John Bull and His Island" achieved an instantaneous success. He followed this up by various other works, all written in the same peculiar style, and all were eagerly welcomed by the public. This furnishes a text for the average American newspaper editor. Of late years an unhappy delusion has prevailed as to what constitutes news. The reporters have ransacked the corners of the earth for material. Falling to present their matter in a readable form, they have resorted to shrieking, to misstatements, to exaggeration, and to faults that are classed as "yellow journalism." Profanity is said to have arisen from a faulty vocabulary. When a man exhausts his stock of words, he swears to fill up the gap. So yellow journalism is simply a sign of defective ideas. "Never mind the news," cries one of these managers, "give us something that will sell papers." Every rumor, every bit of gossip, every malicious insinuation is exploited to the utmost. The graces of composition, the felicities of writing, are all sacrificed to an insane shriek, and it comes from a defective education and a misunderstanding of the scope of the newspaper. When men write in order to be read and not merely to fill up space, then we shall see a reform in this particular. So great is the paucity of thought even now that the yellow journals are obliged to eke out their text with horrible pictures, with frightful cuts, verging upon the domain of idiosyncrasy. What is a more striking example of degeneracy than the uncouth pictures of the "Katzensammer kids," coarse travesties upon the art of drawing, garnished with splashes of red and yellow ink. They are printed under the plea that they attract the children, and yet, if there be anything calculated to debauch the taste of the young and educate along coarse and vulgar lines, it is these same comic supplements. They are no more a part of journalism than the hoodlum is a part of civilized society. The most that can be said in regard to either is that they are parasites. The success of such a writer as Max O'Rell is refreshing because it shows that the popular taste is not yet perverted by the unwholesome material that is daily put before it, and there is hope for the public when it can select and patronize a writer who depends for recognition only upon his native wit and choice of language.

**BIG BUGS EAT LITTLE BUGS.**  
A party of Alton gentlemen, says the Alton Telegraph, took a trip in a boat last evening through the flooded country across the river, and they went over fences and low buildings in safety. A curious sight they say is that of the millions of bugs and caterpillars that have taken to trees to save themselves from drowning. On some of the limbs they saw numerous field mice, which, while high and dry, looked very uncomfortable and hungry. One tree in the center of what was a fine wheat field a few days ago was literally packed with bugs of all kinds, and like cannibals the big, strong bugs were devouring the smaller ones to appease hunger. The branches of the trees were stripped bare of verdure. There was not a leaf or even the trace of the least verdure left on the tree and even the tender bark on the smaller limbs was gnawed off. The Alton party have to and watched this struggle for the "survival of the fittest" for several moments, and say it was a very interesting but sad and at times exciting spectacle.

Gov. Yates has made formal announcement that he will be a candidate for re-election. This was scarcely necessary as it has been generally understood that he wanted a second term. Gov. Yates will have much strength and will be a formidable candidate. Many others are being considered. Attorney General Hamlin, Walter Reeves, former congressman; Charles S. Deenen, state's attorney of Cook county; Lawrence Y. Sherman, former speaker; Congressman Warner of this district and James A. Rose, secretary of state are a few of the prominent men mentioned. There are others to be considered.

The prospect is that there will be a lively fight leading up to and into the state convention. Of course the nominee will be the next governor as the republicans have a habit of settling their differences in the convention and then uniting to elect the man chosen.

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**The Court of Appeals at Washington**  
Has sustained the post office department in its classification of the mails.

**Great abuses grew up** whereby all kinds of paper-covered books were entered as second class matter. This meant that they were carried at 1 cent per pound while the cost to the government was 8 cents. The lower court decided against the postmaster general but the higher court sustains him. This means that the post office department will soon be self-sustaining even with the addition of free rural delivery. Millions of tons were carried annually that will now go at a higher rate or not at all. This reform has been bitterly fought by the big cheap-book publishing houses. It meant great sums of money to them and they employed every means at their command to defeat the postmaster general in his righteous raid on them. The movement was instituted by Postmaster Gen. Charles Emory Smith of Philadelphia, himself a publisher. On his retirement Postmaster General Payne took up the work and pushed it to a successful conclusion.

**The successful campaign** against bribery and perjury among St. Louis and Missouri officials has reached a point where the prosecuting attorney, Mr. Folk, is in constant danger of being murdered. This is not surprising. Men who have spent a life time in looting the public treasury, bribing public officials, and making merchandise of legislative and aldermanic votes, are bound to become sufficiently debauched in time to hesitate at nothing which would tend to thwart the efforts of those who would seek to bring them to justice. District Attorney Folk has been sending Missouri corrupt officials to the penitentiary for over a year now, and shows no disposition whatever to let up in the good work. It will be almost marvelous if he closes his career as a prosecuting attorney without meeting bodily harm.

In reply to the question, "Who pays the expenses of the president's junketing trip?" William Allen White says: "It is a stocky built man, with a ratty mustache, a front of double pla teeth, and a jaw set with a Yale time lock; man rather below the medium height, inclined to be puffy, with a voice that needs a machinist, and a vocabulary that needs a compositor, a man named Roosevelt—T. Roosevelt, to be accurate. He is the first president of the United States in recent years who has refused all courtesies from the railroads and pays his way, and, by the same token, he is the first president in recent years whom the railroads are going to fight."

**A Chicago Inter Ocean correspondent** in speaking of Attorney General Hamlin says: "Hamlin was pronounced by the late John R. Tanner to be one of the three great lawyers of the state outside of Chicago, the other two being Hugh Crea of Decatur and John S. Stevens of Peoria."

**President Roosevelt** plunged into public business at once on his arrival at Washington. He lost no time. He instructed Secretary Payne to go to the bottom of the postoffice frauds and spare no guilty man.

**What has become of Billy Mason?** He must be up to some mischief. It is so unlike the pudgy ex-senator to keep still so long.

**Mrs. Sheridan** lately said: "I would rather be the widow of Phil Sheridan than the wife of any living man." Mrs. Sheridan is a noble woman.

In view of the coal situation of last winter it will not be out of place to inquire whether you have stocked up for next winter as you vowed you would?

**Railroad News Items.**  
William E. Traynor, one of the oldest passenger engineers on the Chicago division of the Baltimore & Ohio, was killed instantly on Saturday night at Concord. Traynor's engine was hauling an eastbound fast train. Traynor sat leaning out the cab and was struck by the "penstock" pipe, an upright pipe beside the track from which the engine sometimes takes water. Fireman Sylbert was shoveling coal into the fire box at the time and did not miss his superior until the train had passed the Washburn railroad crossing, half a mile east of St. Louis. The deceased lived at Garret, Ind., and was one of the best engineers on that division.

**That Throbbing Headache.**  
Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold at the drug stores of John E. King, Chas. F. Shilling and N. L. Krone.

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**At St. Patrick's Church Wednesday Morning.**

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At the close of the wedding ceremony there was a reception during which the young couple received the congratulations of their friends. A three course wedding supper was served by Mrs. Thompson.

The groom is the cashier at Sufferin, Hunt & Co.'s mill and is well known about the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Corman left early this morning for the wedding at the home of the bride's parents at 663 West Packard street where they will be at home to their friends after July 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Corman received a great many beautiful presents. The company for which Mr. Corman is working presented them with a handsome clock and a set of solid silver spoons. Mr. Corman's present to his bride was a piano.

**Stork-Fitzpatrick.**  
Frank J. Stork and Miss Agnes Fitzpatrick were married Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock at St. Patrick's Catholic church. The ceremony was celebrated by Rev. Dean Murphy.

As the bridal party entered the church Miss Anna Brown played a wedding march. During the ceremony Miss Stork played "Ave Maria." The recessional was played as the party proceeded down the aisle from the altar.

Miss Christiana Stork, sister of the groom, was the bride's maid, and John Fitzpatrick, the brother of the bride, accompanied her.

The bride was attired in a gown of coffee-colored Persian silk with point lace and chiffon trimmings. She carried a single rose.

At the close of the ceremony the party took carriages and went to Miss Fitzpatrick's home on West Eldorado street where they were to have a breakfast followed by a wedding breakfast. There were about 35 friends and relatives present at the home. At 11 o'clock the couple went to the depot for a visit with relatives and friends. They will visit for a short time.

Mr. Stork is a farmer and has a large place near Stonington. Miss Fitzpatrick is well known in this city as a teacher and has been at the same school for the past two years. She has been the teacher at Brush college east of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Stork will return in a short time and will be at home to their friends at Mr. Stork's farm near Stonington.

**NEARBY TOWNS.**

**Macon.**  
Bert Cook visited home friends over Sunday.

John Van Grundy of Decatur visited his sons J. F. and E. E. Van Grundy Tuesday.

Phillips and family of Blue Mound were the guests of Henry Jostes and family Sunday.

Miss Bess Wilcox of Blue Mound visited Miss Grace Ahlme last week.

Mrs. Art Ahlme and baby visited relatives in Assumption Sunday.

John H. Hertz of Bloomington was a guest at the Transient House Sunday.

John F. Schudel, who has been attending the university of Nebraska, arrived home Tuesday morning.

Gracie Mack of Bloomington was the guest of Mrs. Lillian Montgomery Sunday.

Finley Boggs has returned to his home in Salem, Ind., after a week's visit with his brother, Dr. Boggs and wife.

Mrs. Elijah Walker of Assumption was the guest of J. F. Van Grundy and family last week.

Mrs. Verna Brooks is home from Champaign, where she has been attending school.

Miss Mable of Bloomington was the guest of J. Schudel and family Sunday.

Miss Millie McKickle of Lintner is visiting Mel Davis and wife.

Born to J. F. Van Grundy and wife, a son Saturday, June 6.

The alarm clock of Decatur was the guest of Mrs. Geo. Flint, Monday, June 8th, 1903.

**Long Creek.**  
Gracie Baker returned from Normal Monday, where she had been visiting her daughter.

The wreck on the C. H. & D. railroad at this place last Thursday prevented quite a number of people from seeing the president.

Green finished shelling corn Monday.

Miss Mamie Davis of Normal, Ill., is visiting with relatives at this place. The M. E. church of this place will observe Children's day next Sunday.

The farmers are improving the few nice days by work in the fields. Jacob Albert is in quite feeble health at this time.

Dr. S. R. May of Mt. Zion was in our village Tuesday, June 8th, 1903.

**Taylorville.**  
Mrs. Amanda Ward was elected president of the tenth district Rebekah assembly held at Mt. Pulaski.

The school reception was held at the high school Friday evening.

Albert Drew, aged 40 years, died of consumption Friday at his home in Johnson township. His wife and four children survive him.

At a meeting of the federation of labor the following officers were elected: president, A. B. Chaplin, recording secretary, Wade Bourne, treasurer, James Mills, delegate to central labor body, W. B. Parks, Price Burchfield and Robert Hershfield.

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# APPROVED FOR GUARD DUTY

Committee Decide the Sidewalk Must be Repaired

Co. H, Forty-Three Strong, Went to East St. Louis Wednesday Afternoon.

MUCH LOOTING IS REPORTED.

Other Companies From Central Illinois Were Ordered Out.

The Traction Interurban company before the city council, after a long session, decided that the city should not be responsible for the cost of the sidewalk repairs. The city council, after a long session, decided that the city should not be responsible for the cost of the sidewalk repairs.

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turned from their trip to Galesburg. Miss Nellie Thomas has discontinued her duties as book keeper for M. Moore and his daughter Miss Mable will fill the position.

Miss J. R. Moore of Decatur attended the commencement exercises. Miss Mable Hendrix will graduate from the Wesleyan college of music this week.

Will Cravinton of Lincoln attended the commencement here. Louis Veach of Normal is a guest at the home of Ed. DeBole.

John Scott who has been working for Daniel Boone has returned to his home in Edwardsville.

Ferrol and Fred Steele have gone to Middletown to spend the summer with their grandmother.

June 8.

The rains have made the roads almost impassable in places.

Mrs. Hildebrandt who has been sick all spring went to Dr. Brown of Decatur, this week.

Mrs. Herman Petzel and Mrs. Bruce Flerstein were shopping in Decatur Wednesday.

Not very many went to see "Ledy" on account of rain and muddy roads Thursday.

J. R. Scott was at Blue Mound Friday.

# MOST EXPENSIVE

McCoo Case Exceeding the Cost of Any Previous Trial in History of County.

EIGHT JURORS ARE ACCEPTED.

Attorneys Hopeful That They May Finish Today.

The jurors.

Eight jurors have been accepted in the McCoo case.

Four were accepted by both sides Wednesday and three are passed by one side.

Those accepted by both sides Wednesday are:

GEORGE SMART, Maroa township, laborer.

JOHN G. WILSON, Decatur, motor-man.

BUD MCUNE, Whitmore township, farmer.

JAMES EATON, Blue Mound township, farmer.

Those accepted the first day were:

GEORGE LEGGE, Maroa township, laborer.

H. D. EASTER, Oakley township, laborer.

W. H. MILLER, South Macon township, farmer.

JAMES CHARNOCK, miner, Decatur.

# HOW THE JURY IS DRAWN.

Explanation of the System Employed in Drawing the Jury.

The drawing of the special venire, and the regular jury panels as well, is all done according to the plan of the county clerk there is a big tin box which contains little cards, on each of which is the name of a man eligible to act as a juror.

The number of spectators in the court room Wednesday morning was greater than the day before.

The jurors who have already been accepted did not take much interest in what was going on.

The second woman to appear in the court room since the trial started was an elderly woman who came Wednesday afternoon.

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# FIGURE ON PLAN

To Give the City More Room for Police Headquarters in the Court House.

STOBER WINS A PLACE.

Supervisors Discuss Equitable Distribution of Business.

The committee appointed to look after the matter of making some new arrangement in the offices at the court house held a meeting Wednesday afternoon and will confer again this morning before making a report to the board of supervisors.

The scheme is to give the city more room for police headquarters and several plans have been suggested.

The board of supervisors session of the board the printing committee recommended the payment of bills amounting to \$558.75 and the report was adopted.

Supervisor Reynolds, as a committee of one on the poor farm, made a report showing the poor farm to be in first class shape and commented favorably upon the work of Steward Kirkman.

The committee on public and private institutions reported on bills amounting to \$350.25 which were allowed.

The fees and salary committee recommended that the pay of the watchman of the court house be \$2 a month and the board adopted the recommendation.

The board decided to give county aid in building a new bridge in Niantic township and Supervisors Vandier, Brett and Stickle were appointed on a committee to look after the work.

Supervisor Tucker called attention to two bills against the county which he asked not be allowed.

# THEATRE AT TUSCOLA

Money Package of \$1000 Has Disappeared—Young Man Arrested.

At Tuscola, Monday Hugh Hanley, a young man of exemplary reputation, who has served for some time as delivery man for the American Express company, driving their wagon, was arrested at the instance of the company, on a warrant sworn out by a traveling inspector of that corporation.

This charge against young Hanley was that he had stolen a package containing \$1000 in bills.

The package in question arrived Tuesday in the city of St. Louis, Ill., at a station north of Tuscola on the E. & I. railroad, and in this city it disappeared.

Hanley claims that he delivered it to the express messenger on the E. & I., and that he got that individual's receipt for it.

Hanley was placed in jail but has demanded a preliminary examination which will probably be granted today.

Hanley is a young man of the best reputation in the city and is well known and resides at Ramsey. He is reputed to be quite wealthy and the boy will have the advantage of the best legal talent.

People who know Hanley are loath to believe him guilty and there is quite a wave of sympathy for him in the city.

The circuit clerk has duplicate copies of the case and furnishes one copy to the sheriff and one to the attorneys on each side of the case.

The sheriff and his officers hurry after the men who are wanted and get them as soon as possible.

# LOCAL NEWS NOTES

TWO GOOD ATTRACTIONS.

The big production, "Ben Hur," is sure to come to Decatur. It has been received from Manager Given, who is in the east stating that he has positively booked the attraction.

TEACHERS' PICNIC.

The teachers at the Sangamon street school in Decatur are looking forward to a picnic in the school yard.

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# CLERK WATSON WAS SMOOTH

STOLE SIXTY THOUSAND FROM GOVERNMENT BEFORE HE WAS EVEN SUSPECTED.

Washington, June 9.—A warrant has been issued for the arrest of J. M. Watson, Jr., clerk in the office of the auditor for the District of Columbia on the charge of a defalcation in government funds estimated at \$60,000.

The defalcations are said to cover a period of several years. Watson has no official bond and that of the auditor, Mr. Petty, is for only \$20,000.

The money alleged to have been embezzled was a part of the funds deposited in the auditor's office by property owners who are willing to pay the costs of improvements on their property, such as building sidewalks, paving alleys and streets.

This money was deposited in the bank to the auditor's credit. Watson, it is alleged, was entrusted with the duty of making this deposit and each time he returned the pass book in an apparently proper condition.

Auditor Petty today said that the accounts had been manipulated in such a clever manner that he was not certain of the exact situation until today.

Watson was a joint publisher of a news bulletin issued in this city. In addition to running the paper he owned a barber shop. He also was the promoter of a patent medicine concern and his treasurer of what is known as the District Co-Operative Association, which takes money from employees on deposit and lends it out again.

Many of the office holders at the district building are depositors, the association turning the money over entirely to Watson, and getting only his personal receipts.

# JURIES ARE EXPENSIVE

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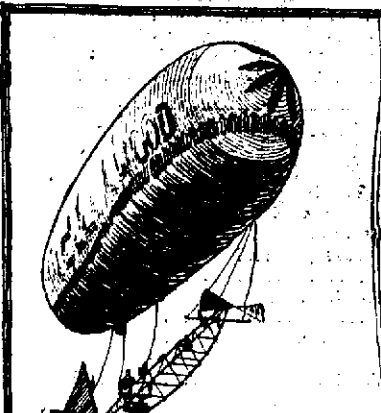
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# Recent Advances In the World of Aeronautics

TEN years ago the man who announced his intention of spending a small fortune on a something designed to navigate the air was regarded as a crank. The claim that even the dirigible balloon was a possibility was laughed to scorn by the wisecracks, and the advocates of the theory that an air ship might be driven against the wind had a hard time of it. "How," asked their critics, "is it possible to do this when the vessel itself is supported by this air against which you seek to move it?" These people did not seem to reflect that a steamboat may be sent to high speed against a strong current. But the aeronauts had that in mind, and ever since have been on a still hunt for motors which being so light as not to absorb very much of the lifting power of the air ship would still be powerful enough to overcome the resistance of an adverse current of air. In other words, it was realized that but two elements had to be provided—lightness of equipment and enormous dynamic force.

Children are frequently mistaught at school that a bird is able to fly because when it inflates its air sack it becomes lighter than air. This is absurd, as may be easily demonstrated by filling and stopping up this air sack and then killing the bird. It will fall just as fast as any body of equal weight. The bird flies on the aeroplane system. In other words, it presents a certain angle to the air and is enabled to sustain itself therein by means of the marvelous power of its rapidly moving wings. No one has ever seen a hawk circling upward with wings spread immovably; his direction is always slightly downward, his wings performing the office of a parachute. But the moment the hawk wishes to rise he tips his body slightly upward and begins to vigorously work his powerful wings against the only slightly resisting air. Even a dove or wild pigeon in almost parallel flight keeps its body in a somewhat rising position, and its body, propelled by a series of convulsive movements of the wings, really describes a series of convex arcs, however slight they may appear. This is particularly noticeable in the flight of the ordinary sparrow.

In short, the point which all investigators of aerial navigation have had to settle in advance is whether they should build vessels lighter than air and depending upon a lighter gas for buoyancy or fall back upon the aeroplane or bird principle and depend for buoyancy upon the dynamic energy created by artificial means. Santos-Dumont, Spencer, and a host of other experimenters have stuck to the gas bag or balloon idea, while Langley, Maxim and many really great inventors, realizing that the gas bag models offered nothing new



SPENCER'S AIRSHIP.

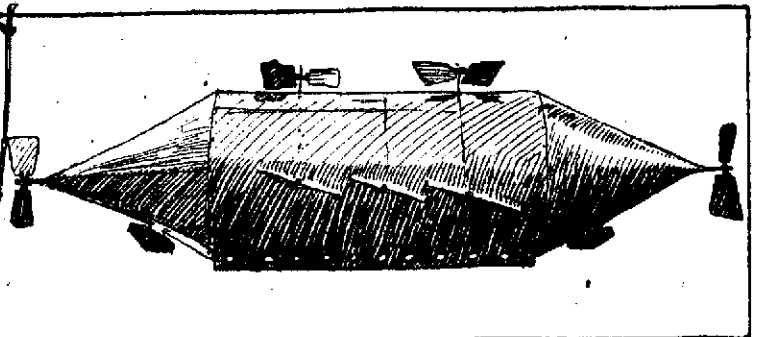
he was the first man to make a set flight of great length, part of the way against a wind fairly strong, and return within a specified time to the starting point. Last year Stanley Spencer of London made a twenty mile flight over London and was deterred from circling the dome of St. Paul's only by the heavy fog. So, determining to take no unnecessary chances, he set a course for the open country, where he safely alighted.



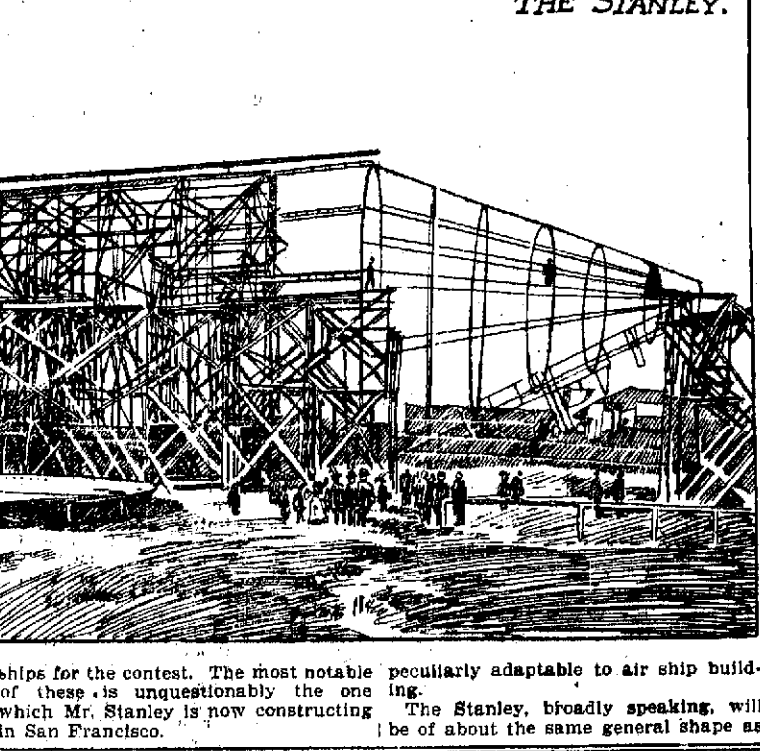
STANLEY SPENCER.

The greatest trouble hitherto with the dirigible balloon has been the impracticability of making it sufficiently strong to withstand buffeting of strong winds, as a heavy frame would consume all of the lifting power of the gas even if the motor were of sufficient strength to propel the vessel after it had risen. Indeed, it was the weakness of the frames which caused the two fatal disasters in Paris last year, the first to Auguste Severn, a young engineer. Both of these balloons collapsed in midair, twisting the light,

skeleton framework into an inextricable mass, the whole falling in each case many hundreds of feet. These experiences taught Spencer a lesson, and when he made his famous ascensions it was in a balloon which, while not nearly the largest, was undoubtedly the strongest ever built. Santos-Dumont, too, is said to have taken the lesson to heart to the extent of building his machines more substantially than ever before.



THE STANLEY COMPLETED.



BUILDING THE STANLEY.

The Stanley will be of aluminum, and her total length will exceed 238 feet. The building of this enormous ship involves the expenditure of a moderate fortune, but the gentleman who is furnishing the funds is an enthusiast on the subject of aerial navigation, and it is his purpose to spare no expense. The fact that the outer skin is of aluminum will effectually do away with the possibility of collapse excepting under stress of the most violent gales, and leakage of the gas employed for lifting purposes is obviated by the employment of a lining of specially prepared silk inside the shell of aluminum. Then, too, while the aluminum provides great rigidity, the weight of the metal is so slight as to render it

her predecessors, but she will differ radically from anything that has yet appeared in that she will have no basket depending from the "gas bag." The colossal cylinder is divided along its entire length by a wide sheet of aluminum, and it is in the space below this that the passengers, engines, supplies and crew will be carried. The upper plane, in turn, will be divided into six hydrogen gas compartments, each lined with silk as already explained. In case of accident to one or even two or three of these compartments the Stanley will do nothing more dangerous than sink slowly to Mother Earth.

As the lifting capacity of the Stanley will be nearly eleven tons and her weight but about six tons, exclusive of passengers, she will have enough surplusage of buoyancy to admit of carrying quite a crew and a large quantity of supplies.

The shape of the Stanley is the one generally accepted as offering the least resistance to the wind, and inasmuch as her propelling fans will be located at the apex of the cone at each end, their driving power ought to be much greater than that of any device yet applied to aerial craft. The lateral direction of flight will be regulated by rudders placed under these propellers, while wings or fins at the sides of the ship will enable her operators to send her upward or downward.

And right here is one of the strongest points of the Stanley. While hitherto it has been possible to deflect a dirigible balloon upward or downward, either operation has involved the throwing of the vessel out of the perpendicular. But by means of these fins on the Stanley she may be made to rise without once losing her "plumb" position. Another strong point is to be found in the propellers on top of the Stanley. By means of these she may be forced downward on an even keel without the necessity of letting out any of the gas. Naturally, too, these top propellers will be of material aid in rising whenever the ship shall have attained to as great a height as her buoyancy will carry her.

Sir Hiram Maxim, the inventor of the gun which mows soldiers down as a scythe cuts grass, is also much interested in the problem of aerial navigation. He declares, however, that he will not devote a moment of his time to experiments with any form of vessel in which the buoyancy is supplied by means of gas. Such devices he considers valuable as demonstrating the dirigibility of the machines, but as teaching nothing concerning the true air ship, which, he declares, must use the forces which nature provides to attain its flight. Otherwise and until then, in his opinion, there can be nothing tangible in the way of progress toward the goal of successful aerial navigation.

These are substantially all the views of Professor Langley of the Smithsonian institution, and strong efforts will be made to induce both of these scientists to enter airships in the great \$200,000 competition at St. Louis next year.

WILSON G. LOWELL.

## THE SULTAN OF JOHORE, WHO IS COMING HERE.

We have had a crown prince here and the brother of an emperor, but we have never experienced the ineffable ecstasy of having a real sultan "in our midst." However, we are not long to be without that pleasure, for the sultan of Johore has announced that he will visit



us in 1904 for the primary purpose of making a tour of the United States and incidentally "taking in" the St. Louis world's fair. The sultan is the ruler of the remnants of the old Malay empire. He is, in fact, the only independent ruler in the Malay peninsula. He has been the sultan for about five years. He is twenty-seven years of age, a fine sportsman and a pretty decent sort of fellow all around.

## A SHAMROCK BROOCH.

The illustration shows the brooch which Sir Thomas Lipton presented to the Countess of Shaftesbury on the occasion of the christening of his new yacht, Shamrock III. The countess was the sponsor for the boat. It is said that Sir Thomas intends to have the same design carried out on a number of scarfpins and link buttons, which he will present to his guests during the cup race—if the Shamrock III. should prove successful. If that is the condition, it is not likely that the sportsman-like baronet will be put to this expense this season.



# Unique Phases of Life From All Over the World, Strange People, Interesting Scenes and Famous Folk

## THE KAISER'S ONLY DAUGHTER.

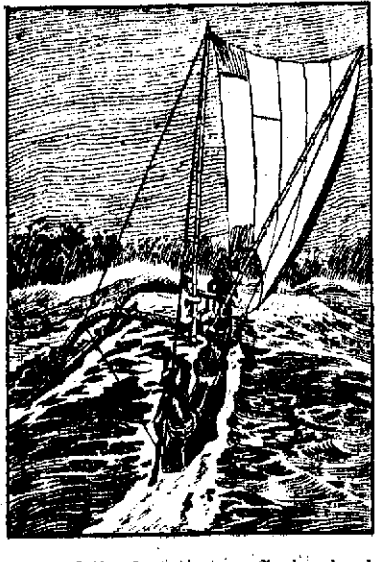
The accompanying illustration was made from the most recent photograph of the only daughter of the august emperor of Germany, who is said to exhibit toward this little miss a tenderness of which he has never been suspected. Princess Victoria Louise is not yet eleven



years old; but, so far as indications go, she promises to be in time one of the most beautiful as she is today one of the most lovable and gracious princesses of Europe. It goes without saying that Victoria Louise is much petted by her father, and she is a very sensible young lady.

## A CEYLON SURF BOAT.

The illustration shows a Ceylon surf boat which is also used for fishing purposes. This is the case not because the craft offers any peculiar advantages for the purpose for which it is used, but be-



cause of the fact that as Ceylon is almost entirely surrounded by reefs and there is constantly a terrific surf nothing short of surf boats would be able to get out to the open water. The fishermen in Ceylon are a very peculiar lot. They form a caste of their own and appear to think themselves better than the people upon whose purchases their daily bread depends. They are able to do all sorts of stunts with these surf boats, and considering their flimsy construction, it is really remarkable how few accidents occur.

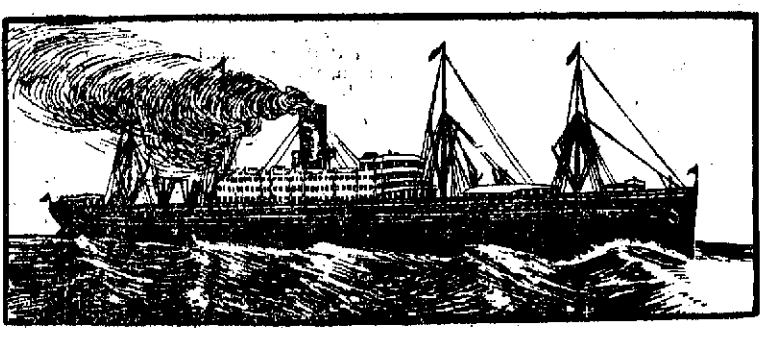
## A YOUTHFUL PLAYWRIGHT.

Miss Constance Smedley, whose curtain raiser, "The Honor of a Rogue," written in collaboration with Mr. Cosmo Hamilton, will be seen in this country next season, enjoys the distinction of being the youngest woman that ever had a play produced in London, the theatrical metropolis of the world. Her first play was "Mrs. Jordan," a one act piece in which Mrs. Patrick Campbell scored a marked success about three



years ago. Miss Smedley is an artist, and the work of her brush has been favorably commented upon by some of the severest critics of London. She is not yet twenty-one years of age, and if she should fail to become one of the prominent playwrights she will disappoint hosts of good judges.

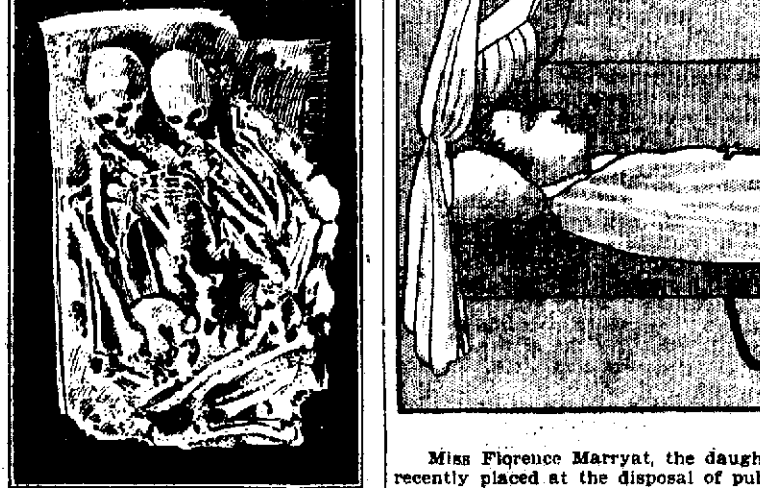
## THE LARGEST VESSEL EVER BUILT IN AMERICA.



The Minnesota, recently launched at the yards of the United States Ship-building company, New London, Conn., for the Great Northern Railroad company, is the largest vessel ever built in America and has the greatest freight capacity of any ship in the world. She is 630 feet long, nearly 74 feet wide and 66 feet deep. She has nine decks. The Minnesota will ply between Seattle, Honolulu and Yokohama, and in order to make these long trips she has been provided with bunkers space for 5,000 tons of coal, which will be automatically delivered to the smokers. Her total carrying capacity is about 30,000 tons dead weight. The Minnesota will not be an "ocean greyhound," her speed being only about 14 knots, but every provision has been made for the comfort of passengers and crew, and several novel features introduced in her construction have resulted in a great economy of space. It is said that if the Minnesota should prove as successful as is hoped for the purpose for which she is intended several vessels of exactly similar model and size will be built as soon as possible for the Pacific trade. It is believed that vessels of such enormous carrying capacity, where there will be no abnormal consumption of coal in the effort to get great speed, will be more economical of operation than any steamships ever built.

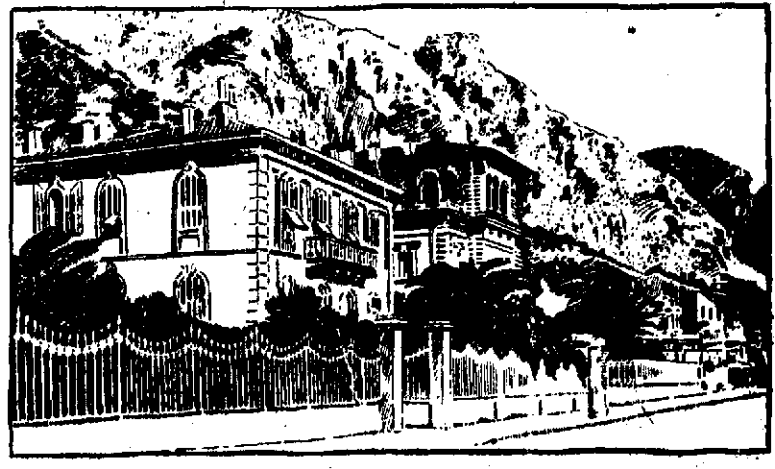
## THE CAVE DWELLERS.

It is only at rare intervals that remains are discovered of the prehistoric cave dwellers, but in the illustration are shown the skeletons of two that were found not long ago in a grotto owned by the Prince of Monaco in Mentone. They represent an old female and young male, probably mother and son, and were found at a depth of



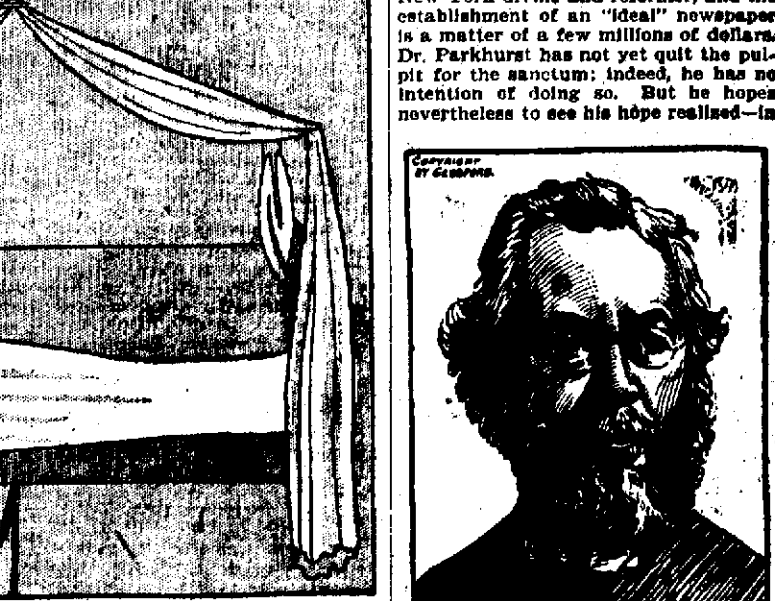
twenty feet from the general surface of the land. Scientists who have examined the skulls pronounce them among the oldest human remains ever brought to light, the jaws more resembling those of apes than of human beings.

## PRESENT HOME OF EX-PRESIDENT KRUGER.



The house shown in the illustration is one of the simple but solid residences of Mentone, in the Riviera. Here the "Bismarck of South Africa" is passing the declining years of his life. Indeed, it is feared that this really great old man, whose prediction that England would pay for the subjugation of the Boers a price that would stagger humanity has been frightfully fulfilled, has but a few months to live. Since he became literally a man without a country, ex-President Kruger of the Transvaal has seemed to take no interest in life, and the death a few months ago of his beloved wife severed the last link which bound him in interest to this world. He is awaiting the end calmly, as he has awaited everything, good or bad, that has come to him.

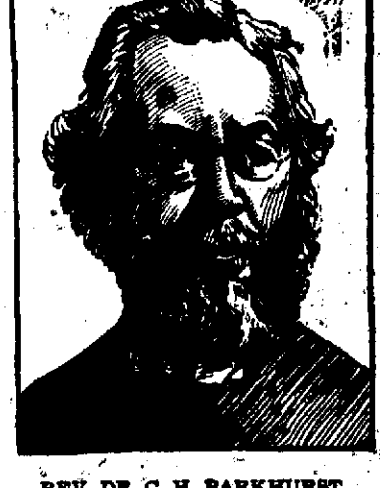
## MARRYAT'S SKETCH OF NAPOLEON ON HIS DEATHBED.



Miss Florence Marryat, the daughter of the famous Captain Marryat, has recently placed at the disposal of publishers an interesting album of sketches made by her celebrated father. Perhaps the most notable of the collection, not because of its execution, which is exceedingly crude, but by reason of the subject, is the one herewith reproduced. It shows the great Napoleon on his deathbed at St. Helena and was made a couple of hours after the "Little Corporal" had passed away. Captain Marryat was at the time in command of the sloop of war Beaver, which was employed on the St. Helena station until after the death of Napoleon, and his opportunities for studying the characteristics of his distinguished charge were therefore exceptional.

## WANTS AN IDEAL NEWSPAPER.

All that stands between Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, the celebrated New York divine and reformer, and the establishment of an "ideal" newspaper is a matter of a few millions of dollars. Dr. Parkhurst has not yet quit the pulpit for the sanctuary; indeed, he has no intention of doing so. But he hopes nevertheless to see his hope realized—in



time. Dr. Parkhurst has not gone beyond generalities in telling what the ideal newspaper should be. If he should conclude to give his views in detail, they would certainly make interesting reading.

## A MEMORIAL TO "THE FATHER OF ARBOR DAY."



If the friends of tree planting succeed, as now seems reasonably certain, in their commendable purpose, a handsome memorial will perpetuate the name of the late ex-Secretary of Agriculture J. Sterling Morton, "the father of Arbor day." About a year ago, shortly after the death of Mr. Morton, there was formed in Nebraska City the Arbor Day Memorial association, the sole object of which was the providing of a suitable memorial of Mr. Morton. Among the many designs the one submitted by Rudolph Evans, a well known sculptor of New York, was selected by the committee in charge. The illustration gives a very fair idea of the suggested memorial. The monument will be erected in Morton park, Nebraska City, and, aside from the brick which will be used for the platform, will be of granite and bronze. Subscriptions are still pouring in upon the committee at Nebraska City, whose desire it is to have the contributions as nearly as possible national in scope.



## LATEST MARKET NEWS

## FINLEY BARRELL LETTER.

By Tyler, Harney & Co., 114 East Williams St., Both 'Phones 352.

Chicago, June 11.—WHEAT—It has been an up and down market in wheat, at first the opening, 76 to 76 1/2 lower, about noon, and finally firm again at the close. There was wheat for sale at the opening from those who had prepared for a harvest government crop report. There was selling by the southwest and the northwest. Cables closed a little lower. Minneapolis reported continued liberal receipts. But in the last hour there was the same extravagance on the selling side. The close had been on the buying, and the close was steady with the early break recovered. All the markets are at this did—weak early and firm later. The government crop is variously interpreted as meaning from 72,000,000 to 74,000,000 bu.

CORN—Corn has been as irregular, and uncertain as it was Wednesday, but from week early the market turned strong—especially for the July. The reports of rains in Illinois toward the west affected the sentiment. There was still a good deal of curiosity as to what the Armour interest was doing; and a good deal of mystery. Armour sold September liberally, but it is thought to be a buyer of July, and the market acted that way. The country offerings were small; eastern demand quiet. Cables 1d lower. Estimate on Argentine shipments 1,800,000 bu. Cash houses the best buyers toward the close.

OATS—The interpretation of the government report was various—some considering it bullish, others bearish. It suggested a vastly less total than was expected by any figuring. The advance from the east were of insufficient moisture and there was a liberal business with the interior—about 200,000 bu. The cash ones were 4c higher. Receipts were 145 cars, estimate 165. The speculative feature was continued buying by Sterling, probably clearing. There was a spurt of strength at the close on reported rains through Illinois. Country offerings very light.

Range of Options.

Chicago, June 11.—Following is the range of options on the Chicago Board of Trade:

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## TRANSFER MADE ONE WHEEL WAGON ONE MAN LACKING

Deed for Fairview Park From County To the City Was Passed Yesterday.

GIVEN AN IMPOSSIBLE TASK.

Building Committee Told to Rearrange Offices to Suit All.

No Market Yet.

DECATUR MARKETS.

FRUITS.

GRAIN.

POULTRY—LIVE WEIGHT.

BUTCHER STOCK.

PAID BY GROCERS.

FEED.

NEARBY TOWNS.

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Postmaster Gross of Niantic Believes That He Has Solved a Vexing Question.

A PATENT HAS BEEN GRANTED.

Rural Carriers of Experience Are Not Overly Enthusiastic.

Jacob H. Gross, postmaster at Niantic, was in Decatur yesterday and on exhibition a model of a one wheel wagon upon which he has been granted letters patent.

Gross says that the difficulties encountered by the rural mail carriers last winter when the roads were muddy brought to his mind the thought that some method should be devised by which the carriers could get about the country with less trouble. He said that the idea came to him that the fewer wheels there were the less trouble there would be and as some of the carriers had found it next to impossible to get over the roads in two wheeled carts, the natural conclusion was that there should be a one wheel cart.

In the cart which has been patented Gross places the wheel in the center of the body directly beneath the seat which is high enough to clear the wheel. There is a leg on each side of the buggy body in front which may be lifted out of the way by pressing the foot upon a trip in the floor of the rig. The cart is to be so balanced that the weight will be evenly divided between the wheel and the shafts. For two horses, instead of a tongue there are two sets of shafts, and the back straps supporting them assist in carrying the load. When the cart is not in motion the legs may be dropped and they relieve the weight upon the backs of the horses.

The clogging of the wheel with mud is one of the things which makes the wagon drag and Gross believes that he will overcome that difficulty in his wheel device. He will enclose the wheel in zinc so that only a smooth surface will be presented and he figured that there will be no chance for the mud to clog. The tire of this wheel will be four inches wide.

It is an easy matter to arrange this for one or two horses as suits the pleasure of the owner.

Thursday there were a number of the rural mail carriers out of Decatur examining the model and they were not certain about the utility of the cart. The first objection was that the weight which would be carried on the backs of the horses would make some backs, but this was answered by the statement that the cart would be so well balanced that the weight upon the shafts and consequently upon the horses, would be less in proportion than in the ordinary buggy.

After an experience of several months in the country the carriers were also of the opinion that some thing smoother than zinc would be necessary to keep the mud from clogging upon the wheel.

Inventor Gross says that he expects to have the carts made by some extensive manufacturing concern and will not venture into that branch of the business, being content with a royalty.

CLINTON'S WARRING EDITORS.

Friendship Ceased When One Was Accused of Stealing \$35.

Clinton, Ill., June 11.—(Special Correspondence)—The trouble which is now on between the editor of the Clinton Times and the editor of the Clinton Public is probably causing more excitement than anything which has happened in Clinton for a long time. The trouble began last fall when, according to Sweeney, E. B. Pinkerton of the County overcharged the county of DeWitt \$35.00 for printing the official ballot in the Weekly Public. Up to that time the two editors had been close friends but when Mr. Sweeney alleged in the editorial column of The Times that Pinkerton had stolen from the county, the friendship ended. From that time until now Mr. Sweeney has been attacking Pinkerton through the paper and the latter has returned the compliment to a certain extent, and Monday afternoon Pinkerton became so infuriated at Mr. Sweeney that he resorted to blows when they met on the north side of the square. Mr. Pinkerton was arrested and was fined \$5 and costs. This led Mr. Pinkerton to file a suit against The Times editor charging him with criminal libel. Mr. Sweeney gave a bond signed by his brother, Attorney E. J. Sweeney, for the sum of \$300 and the trial will come off some time during this term of court. It will be a hard fight for both of the editors and the people are awaiting the outcome with interest. Some claim to admire the fearlessness of the Times man in making the accusation and others sympathize with Pinkerton for being the object of such an accusation.

Argenta.

The members of the I. O. O. F. lodge gave a social to their families and friends in their hall Wednesday evening. After the regular lodge session the doors were thrown open and the guests were invited in. They were entertained by selections from the orchestra and the graphophone. Refreshments consisting of ice cream, strawberries and cake were served.

Dr. E. Baecher has sold his dental practice to Dr. F. A. Kelly of McHenry, Ill. He will leave this morning for Chicago.

J. W. Ripple of Decatur was a visitor Thursday.

Miss M. C. Griffin and mother, Mrs. E. M. Brown, moved their household goods to Decatur Wednesday where they will reside. O. G. Brown and family will occupy Mrs. Brown's residence here.

Children's Day services will be held at the C. P. church Sunday evening, June 11.

It's curious how many sizes larger a woman's feet grow on her way from the shop to her home.

A Jury In the McCool Case Is Certain To Be Secured Today.

C. ELMER ATTEBERY WAS UP.

Last Man Acquitted of Murder Examined for Jury Service.

Eleven jurors have been accepted in the McCool case. They are:

GEORGE SMART, Maroa township, laborer.

BUD MCUNE, Whitmore township, farmer.

JAMES EATON, Blue Mound township, farmer.

GEORGE LEGGE, Maroa township, farmer.

H. D. EASTER, Oakley township, laborer.

W. H. MILLER, South Macon township, farmer.

JAMES CHARNOCK, Decatur, miner.

IVY SHELLEY, Oakley township, farmer.

AMOS ROBINSON, Illini township, laborer.

W. F. JOHNS, Blue Mound township, store keeper.

Material for jurors was exhausted Thursday evening and another special venire of thirty-six men was drawn to report today. At 7 p. m. another venire of 100 men was issued.

One of the jurors, George Legge, it is said, may be removed because of having expressed opinions and stating that he had not done so. Affidavits may be produced today to remove him.

All Thursday afternoon was taken up in a fruitless attempt to secure the twelfth juror. If Legge is removed there will be two more men needed on the jury.

It is quite likely that the jury will be secured today and that opening speeches will be made.

State's Attorney W. E. Redmon will make the opening remarks for the prosecution and Attorney C. C. Leforge will open for the defense. After that evidence will be introduced for the state.

It is almost certain that a jury in the McCool murder case will be secured today and that the opening statements will be made.

Eleven jurors have been accepted by both sides and most all Thursday afternoon was taken up by the lawyers in trying to get the twelfth man.

At 4:45 p. m. the material for jurors had run out and court was adjourned until 9 a. m. today when two special venires including 136 men will report and it is hoped that one man can be secured from this number.

It is possible that George Legge of Maroa will be removed from the jury or at least that the prosecution will endeavor to have him removed. If this is attempted affidavits showing that he had expressed an opinion about the case will be produced. If the man is removed it will then be necessary to secure two more men instead of one more.

It was reported Thursday that the attorneys for the defense would endeavor to have one of the jurors removed because they had discovered that the man was prominent in a K. of P. lodge and McNeil belonged to that order. One of the attorneys for the defense said they would not attempt anything of the kind.

The attorneys examined 88 men Thursday. When it got down to the twelfth man it seemed as though they ought to be able to get that one man but the last one seemed to be the most difficult to secure.

One man after another was dismissed and then some one would be questioned who for a time seemed promising, but there would come out a disqualifying answer and he too would be challenged and would be followed by six or eight more who would be equally rejected.

Thomas Crankshaw was examined. He looked very much like he would be kept. He did not know much about the case and really qualified, but after a consultation on the part of the attorneys for the defense he was challenged peremptorily.

At 3 p. m. the men called were running out and the special venire of thirty-six men was issued and at night another 100 was ordered.

W. F. Johns, of Boody, one of the men accepted by both sides, said in the examination that he conducted a store and that the case had been tried a number of times in his store and that he heard all the discussions but there had been so many different verdicts rendered that he was uncertain as to how he felt about the case and did not have any opinion as to the guilt or innocence of McCool. He was taken by both sides.

The interest in the case was increasing to a great extent Thursday. There were many more persons in the court room than the day before. In the afternoon eight or ten women visited the place and were given chairs inside the railing. They stayed all the afternoon.

The lawyers got a little tired of the straight back chairs and a petition was circulated asking the members of the board of supervisors to provide more comfortable chairs for the lawyers. The board instructed the purchasing committee to buy chairs for the lawyers and until these can be secured a dozen of the easy chairs from the supervisors' room were

moved in the court room after the board adjourned.

Trial Notes.

Judge Cochran when he instructed the jurors about not talking about the case asked how they liked the new beds. Juror Charnock answered for the jury and said the beds were all right.

Two men were discovered during the day who had not read about the case. One was out of town at the time the murder occurred and the other said he was too busy to read.

Two preachers were interested listeners in the court room Thursday. One of these ministers has been there every day since the trial began.

Mr. Mills early in the afternoon

SOME ITEMS OF COST.

The items attached to the securing of the jury so far are as follows:

Jurors pay and mileage \$1,167.20

Sheriff fees for service 216.50

Sheriff mileage 308.10

Total cost so far \$1,691.80

Morning Session.

For the first time since the trial began the attorneys in the case Friday morning began to feel that the work of securing a jury was nearing a close. Four were tendered by one side and two of these remained on the jury and were tendered back with two others. When court adjourned at noon there were ten men who had been accepted by both sides and two others who would likely be accepted by the prosecution and tendered to the defense.

For an hour or more men were examined and discharged at a lively rate. They had read and had opinions and the attorneys did not waste much time in asking questions. Sometimes one sentence embodied enough to bring an answer that created a challenge for cause.

The most interesting examination of the forenoon was that of C. Elmer Attebery, who was the last man tried for murder in this court and who was acquitted. He was examined by State's Attorney Redmon. He said in answer to questions that he had read some about the case and had talked with his family but had not made up his mind about the guilt or innocence of the prisoner. He was asked if he had a good reason for not having an opinion and he said that he had a reason and it was because he did not believe the newspaper reports.

Mr. Attebery was asked about capital punishment and his answer to this question was not very clear. He was asked if he was opposed to capital punishment and he answered: "I cannot say that I am."

Mr. Mills and Mr. Leforge were associated with the defense of Attebery when the latter was tried and Mr. Redmon asked Attebery if he had any very warm feeling for Mills and Leforge, referring to Attebery's case in court. Attebery answered that he had no warmer feeling for Mills and Leforge than he would for any other men under the same circumstances.

Mr. Redmon asked further if he held any ill feeling toward him for any thing that had happened in the past. He said further he would be willing to return a verdict of guilty if he served on the jury and if the evidence showed the defendant to be guilty.

Mr. Redmon would not accept Attebery and excused him.

Supervisor E. G. Allen was called on the jury and he made quick work of it. When court adjourned at 9 o'clock he was one of the first called and he was examined and